

## Minutes of ESD Safety Committee Meeting 5/14/2008

Attending: Jil Geller, Tim Kneafsey, Seiji Nakagawa, Vivi Fissekidou, Barry Freifeld

3 EH&S incidents in the last month:

1. ergo in an office, tingling/numbing in fingers, directly referred to Healthworks by LBNL nurse, Tap-root investigation – heavy computer workload, had ergo furnishings.
2. ergo in an office – lower body pain, referred to Healthworks. Has left LBNL since this time, so don't know followup. Employee stated had heavy computer workload
3. metal shaving from hose – occurred after-hours in bldg 70A, couldn't locate trauma kit, so came to Bldg 90. Need to inform staff about after-hours procedure: they need to go to Bldg 26, medical, and if needed swipe ID card to get access to first aid kit. Remind ESD staff

Vivi Fissekidou 6/10/08: An ESD Level-1 email was sent about the after-hours first aid kit

ESD Director's walkthrough went well, and the director met new staff.

ESD's MESH review will be led by Weyland Wong of Engineering Division. This should occur later this year.

Vivi Fissekidou 6/10/08: The MESH review is scheduled for end of August. To be discussed in the next meeting (6/11/08)

Discussion on function of ESD's Safety Committee: We are serving as sounding board to Vivi, and raise concerns from our respective departments. Should management be part of committee to improve dissemination of ES&H info from committee to ESD staff? We do not know if all Department Heads are disseminating ES&H info presented by Vivi to Division Council. Vivi will discuss with Don. We must be able to justify our safety committee structure for the MESH review.

JHA review: Making good progress. Vivi, Rob C and John Seabury have met with Department Heads and Labspace Lead PIs. Next Vivi and Rob will meet with individual PIs. JHA's should be done for staff in June for PRDs. As this will trigger training requirements, staff should be alerted to complete training before MESH review.

Vivi Fissekidou 6/10/08: The training completion is a line management (supervisors') responsibility. They should ensure that the staff are fully trained.

Discussion of P. Lichty's presentation on distribution of defibrulators at LBNL: Statistics has led Lab to have AEDs installed only with the first responders (fire trucks), but staff at presentation felt that they should still be installed throughout lab, given difficulty in meeting required response times. Having AEDs in buildings would send an important message to LBNL staff that management supports staff health and safety.

x7911 operation – Town Hall discussed time-lag in phone call being answered. This is still of concern to staff. A possible solution is to put stickers on phones, or voice message indicating that caller has reached 7911 and not to hang up. Vivi will raise this at div safety coord. meeting.

Equipment requiring LOTO procedures – new requirement per Pub 3000. Vivi will get clarification from Keith Gershon, and invite him to the next safety committee meeting. Once the requirements are understood, Vivi will have ESD's Hazardous Equipment Inventory updated.

Vivi Fissekidou 6/10/08: Keith Gershon will present the requirements in the next meeting (on 6/11/08)

Spot award nomination: For Jordan Katz, a Post Doc w/ Glenn Waychunas, for his thorough and excellent job updating the chemical inventory for 70-158, including proper disposition of chemicals of former LBNL employees that were still in the lab and database. All members present concurred with the nomination.

Vivi Fissekidou 6/10/08: Jordan is a guest and we cannot give him a spot award (which is reserved for full staff). We should find another way to acknowledge his ES&H compliance.

Biological Use Authorizations: Need to inform Bruce King of plans to work with soil samples from outside of California (per USDA's program). Vivi will check to see if this also applies to water samples.

Radiation audit: Bldg 70 pit room had expired authorizations. Vivi has not received any feedback from EH&S on the audit.

Upcoming Nano-audit in June: Will cover mostly work at Molecular Foundry. Nano work will be part of JHA, and training will be required.

Vivi Fissekidou 6/10/08: The nano audit is scheduled for the week of 6/16 and in addition to the Molecular Foundry it would include other labs where nano work is conducted.

Need new ESD member of building emergency team to cover position left by Tim K. last year. Vivi will inform Don of potential members.

Vivi Fissekidou 6/10/08: ESD assigned 2 new BET members:

Yngqi Zhang to replace T. Kneafsey & S. Biraud to replace K. Avina